IFW/squi



Best Available Copy

ATTORNEY
DOCKET NO.2799CIP

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT	Timothy A. Barton)	
SERIAL NO.	: 09/557,822)	Group No. 3744
FILED:	April 25, 2000)	Examiner: Marc E. Norman
FOR:	SYSTEM & METHOD OF MARKETING COMPLITER NETWORKS)	

PETITION TO RESCIND ABANDONMENT OF APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant petitions to rescind the Notice of Abandonment dated May 25, 2006.

In the Notice of Abandonment received from the U.S. Patent Office, the undersigned has noted that the above-identified application is being forwarded to the abandoned files because Applicant failed to file an Appeal Brief within two months from February 13, 2006, the date the Notice of Appeal was filed.

1. On February 8, 2006, applicant field with the United States Patent and Trademark Office an Amendment after Final including a Request for a three-month Extension of Time, 24 sheets of Formal Drawings and a Notice of Appeal (Exhibit A).

2. On March 3, 2006, the Examiner issued an Advisory Action acknowledging the filing of the Notice of Appeal (Exhibit B). 37 Code of Federal Regulations states that a brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal." Under 37 CFR 41.37(e), it states that "time periods set forth in this section are extendable under the provisions of § 1.136." Therefore, applicant would be entitled to an extendable period of up to four months, or until August 13, 2006 in which to file the required Appeal Brief. Hannah Martin, our Patent Administrator, spoke with Examiner Marc Norman on June 1, 2006, and Examiner Norman suggested that we file this request.

The undersigned has reviewed his records and noted that the Notice of Abandonment was issued in error.

June _____, 2006

Respectfully submitted

Arthur A. Gasey - Reg No. 35, 150

Niro, Scavone, Haller & Niro 181 W. Madison-Suite 4600

Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 236-0733

I certify that this document and enclosed fee is being deposited on June <u>1</u>, 2006 the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Hannah Martin

Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence



Serial No. 09/557,822 Filing Date: April 25, 2000 For: COMPUTER NETWORKS RECEIVED IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Amendment after Final including::
-request for a three month extension of time
-24 sheets of formal drawings
-authorization to charge deposit acctg: 14-1131

Docket No. 2799CIP

February 8 200

OIPE	1408		DOCKET NO.2799CI
JUN 0 5		ENT AND TRADEMARK OFF	FICE
APPLICATE	Timothy Barton)	
SERIAL NO.:	09/557,822) Group No.	3744
FILED:	April 25, 2000) Examiner:	Norman, Marc E.
FOR	SYSTEM AND METHOD OF)	
	MARKETING COMPUTER NETWORKS	·	
	COMBINED AMENDMENT (A EXTENSION OF TIME U		OR

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted Herewith is a combined Amendment and petition under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of August 8, 2005 in the above-identified application.

Applicant hereby requests a three month extension of time of from: November 8, 2005 until: February 8, 2006

The fee for the amendment and extension of time has been calculated as shown below:

Fee for Extension of Time: <u>\$ 510.00</u>

TOTAL FEE FOR AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF TIME: \$510.00

- The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee for the amendment and extension of time in the amount of \$510.00 to our Deposit Account No. 14-1131.
- The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees associated with this communication to our Deposit Account No. 14-1131.
- If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees \boxtimes which may be required to Deposit Account No. 14-1131. (A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.)

This combined Transmittal of amendment and petition for extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is respectfully submitted by the undersigned:

I certify that this document and enclosed fee is being deposited on February 8 2006 with U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington DC 20231

Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence

Hannah Martin

Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence

Arthur A. Gasey - Reg. No. 35,150 NIRO, SCAVONE, HALLER & NIRO

181 W. Madison-Suite 4600

Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 236-0733

Date: February 8,2006

JUN 0.5 7006 JUN 0.5 7006 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE TIMOTHY A. BARTON SERIAL NO.: 09/557,822 FILED: April 25, 2000 FOR: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MARKETING OVER COMPUTER NETWORK JUN 0.5 7006 Group Art Unit 3744 Examiner: M. Norman

AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is an after-final response being filed under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 in response to the final office action of August 8, 2005 and in accord with the Examiner interview of October 12, 2005 to place the specification and claims in better condition for appeal and to traverse the examiner's rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). The examiner is kindly requested to enter this amendment into the record at his convenience.

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

The examiner is requested to enter the following amendment to the specification to correctly claim priority.

On page 2, at the top of the page before "Field of the Invention", add the following:

"This is a continuation-in-part of application number 09/303,788 filed April 30, 1999, now abandoned."

CLAIMS

If entered, this listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claims 1-21 (cancelled).

- 22. (currently amended): An internet-based system for ordering freight services from any internet connected computer comprising a server computer system which includes:
- (i) one or more pages which, when viewed on, any internet connected computer allows a user to enter a freight delivery service request including at least source and destination zip codes, class, weight and accessorial services;
- (ii) one or more pages which, when viewed on any internet connected computer, allow a user to schedule a shipment including at least a shipping and receiving address, a ready date, invoice information and member discount information; and
- (iii) one or more pages which, when viewed on any internet connected computer, permit a user to review status of shipments made by the user;
- (iv) one or more pages which, when viewed on any internet connected computer, permit a user to obtain actual quotes for shipping from a plurality of carriers.

(v) a database of accessorial services offered in conjunction with a freight shipment process, said freight shipment process including quoting, ordering and completing said shipment; and

(vi)a web site with a plurality of web pages, one or more of said web pages
sequentially displaying a plurality of accessorial services and requiring the user to
address each of said accessorial services offered to accept or decline each of said
accessorial services before completing said freight ordering services, thereby providing
information about accepted or declined accessorial information within the freight
shipment process to provide an accurate quote..

- 23. (previously presented) The internet-based system of claim 22 where the server computer system further comprises one or more pages which, when viewed on a user computer system, allow the printing of a bill of lading.
- 24. (previously presented) The internet-based system of claim 22 where the server computer system further comprises one or more pages which, when viewed on any internet connected computer, permit the user to create an invoice to send to another party.

25. (cancelled):

26. (previously presented): An internet-based system for ordering freight services comprising a server computer system which includes:

at least one page which, when viewed on a user computer system, allows a user to enter a freight delivery service request including at least source and destination zip codes, class, weight and accessorial services;

a database of accessorial services offered in conjunction with a freight shipment process, said freight shipment process including quoting, ordering and completing said shipment;

at least one page which, when viewed on any internet connected computer, permits a user to obtain actual quotes for shipping from a plurality of carriers; and,

at least one page sequentially displaying a plurality of accessorial services and requiring the user to address each of said accessorial services offered to accept or decline each of said accessorial services before completing said freight ordering services.

- 27. (previously presented): The internet-based system of claim 26 where the server computer system further comprises at least one page which, when viewed on a user computer system, allows the printing of a bill of lading.
- 28. (previously presented): The internet-based system of claim 26 where the server computer system further comprises at least one page which, when viewed on a user computer system, permits the user to create an invoice to send to another party.

29. (withdrawn): A method for managing an internet-based system for ordering freight services comprising the steps of:

presenting at least one internet page to a user to collect initial shipment information including class, weight, source and destination;

presenting at least one internet page to the user to display cost information based on said initial shipment information;

presenting at least one internet page to the user to schedule a shipment based on source and destination information, said initial shipment information and said cost information;

presenting at least one internet page to the user to allow said user to schedule a ready date and time of shipment;

presenting at least one internet page to allow the user to create a bill of lading.

- 30. (withdrawn) The method of claim 29 further comprising the steps of presenting at least one internet page to the user to allow said user to track said shipment.
- 31. (withdrawn) The method of claim 29 further comprising the steps of:

maintaining a database of accessorial services offered in conjunction with a freight shipment process, said freight shipment process including quoting, ordering and completing said shipment; and

presenting at least one page sequentially displaying a plurality of accessorial services and requiring the user to address each of said accessorial services offered to accept or decline each of said accessorial services before completing said freight ordering services.

- 32. (withdrawn) The method of claim 29 further comprising the step of choosing at least one carrier from a plurality of carriers.
- 33. (withdrawn) The method of claim 32 wherein said step of choosing at least one carrier is completed after viewing cost estimates from a plurality of carriers.
- 34. (currently amended) The method of claim [28] 29 wherein said internet-based system generates custom management reports.
- 35. (currently amended) The method of claim [28] 29 wherein said internet-based system allows a user to access a shipping log of a plurality of prior shipments.
- 36. (currently amended) The method of claim [28] 29 further comprising the steps of creating at least one master account and at least one sub-account of said master account.
- 37. (currently amended) The method of claim [28] 29 further comprising the step of printing custom invoices for a plurality of customers.
- 38. (withdrawn) An internet-based system for providing automated shipping services comprising:

a server computer supplying a plurality of web pages;

a user computer running standard browser software;

a network connecting said server computer to said user computer;

a database on said server computer containing shipping services information from a plurality of shippers;

said server, on at least one of said web pages, allowing said user to compare costs of shipping between at least two different shippers for a specific shipping order, said specific shipping order specified by said user as at least a point of departure and a destination;

said server, on at least one of said web pages, accepting a command from said user to use one of said shippers to perform said specific shipping order.

- 39. (withdrawn) The system of claim 38 further comprising said server completing said shipping order to said one of said shippers.
- 40. (withdrawn) The system of claim 38 further comprising said server causing a bill of lading to be printed.

ATTORNE > JOCKET NO. 2799CIP

- 41. (withdrawn) The system of claim 38 further comprising said server producing a management report containing at least one entry relating to said shipping order.
- 42. (withdrawn) The system of claim 38 further comprising said server maintaining a master account for said user.
- 43. (withdrawn) The system of claim 42 further comprising said server maintaining at least one sub-account related to said master account.

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated August 8, 2005 and is a follow up on the Examiner Interview granted on October 12, 2005, for which the Applicant thanks the Examiner for his courtesies. The examiner has stated that new corrected drawings are required in this application. New drawings are being supplied with this response. Claims 34-37 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. These dependent claims mistakenly referred to claim 28 instead of claim 29. These have been amended.

The examiner withdrew claims 29-33 and 38-43 from consideration as being directed to a non-elected invention. The applicant respectfully traverses this restriction because all of the claims presented relate to an internet-based system and method for providing automated shipping services. Reviewing the status and comparing costs is simply an additional part of the system claimed in claims 22 et seq. The inventions require a similar web page structure as that claimed in claim 22 to operate.

The examiner rejected claims 22-28 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over the FedEx system and in view of Viking Freight and De La Motte et al. The applicant respectfully traverses this rejection on the grounds that De La Motte et al. is not prior art. De La Motte et al. was filed July 30, 1999. The priority date of the applicant's parent application 09/303,788 is April 30, 1999. The applicant's parent application discusses obtaining quotes on page 9, line 3. In addition, applicant has

cancelled claim 25 and included its language in claim 22, as presently amended.

Furthermore, applicant has added language to claim 25 to comport with the Interview Summary resulting from the October 12, 2005 Interview with the Examiner.

Specifically, the Examiner's interview summary states:

With regard to claim 22, Applicant argued that the plural quote system freight system of the claimed distinguished over the goods based system of De La Motte. The Examiner said the he believed that such an application would have been an obvious modification. With regard to claim 25, agreement was reached with regard to language to add to the claim that would overcome the applied prior art. In particular, by actively utilizing the accepted/declained accessorial information within the freight ordering system to provide an accurate quote, the claim is distinguished over general web-based application of forcing a user to accept/decline information

(10/12/05 Interview Summary at p.3). Accordingly, applicant has taken dependent claim 25 and added it to claim 22 (upon which it depended) and added the language from the interview summary set forth above.

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 2799CIP

Based on the above, the applicant feels that the examiner will find the claims to be patentable, and therefore respectfully requests that the examiner place the case in condition for allowance at his earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur A. Gasey Reg. No. 35,150

Attorney for Applicants

Dated: February 8, 2006

NIRO SCAVONE HALLER & NIRO 181 W. Madison Street, Suite 4600 Chicago, Illinois 60602

Telephone: (312) 236-0733

Fax: (312) 236-3137



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ΗĿ	APP	LICA	HON	Or:	

Tim	nothy Barton)	Curry Aut 1 In: 4 2744
SERIAL NO	O.: 09/557,822)	Group Art Unit 3744
FILED:	April 25, 2000)))	Examiner: Norman, Marc E
FOR:	System & Method of Marketing Computer Networks)	

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Honorable Comissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated August 8, 2005 finally rejecting claims 22-28 and 34-37.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the following fees required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 14-1131:

1. Notice of Appeal (small entity)

\$250.00

Respectfully submitted

Arthur A. Gasey - Reg. No. 35,150 Niro, Scavone, Haller & Niro 181 W. Madison-Suite 4600

Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 236-0733

February 8, 2006

I certify that this document and enclosed fee is being deposited on February 8, 2006 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to Commissioner, for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-2450

Hánnah Martin

Date: February 8, 2006

Docket No. 2799CIP



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Timothy Barton

Group Art Unit: 3744

Serial No.

09/557,822

Examiner: Norman, Marc E.

Filed:

April 25, 2000

For:

SYSTEM AND METHOD OF MARKETING COMPUTER NETWORKS

TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Attached are twenty four sheets of Formal Drawings (figs 1-17) with respect to the above patent application. Each sheet of drawing indicates the identifying indicia on the reverse side of the drawing.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur A. Gasey - Reg # 35,150 Niro, Scavone, Haller & Niro 181 W. Madison-Suite 4600

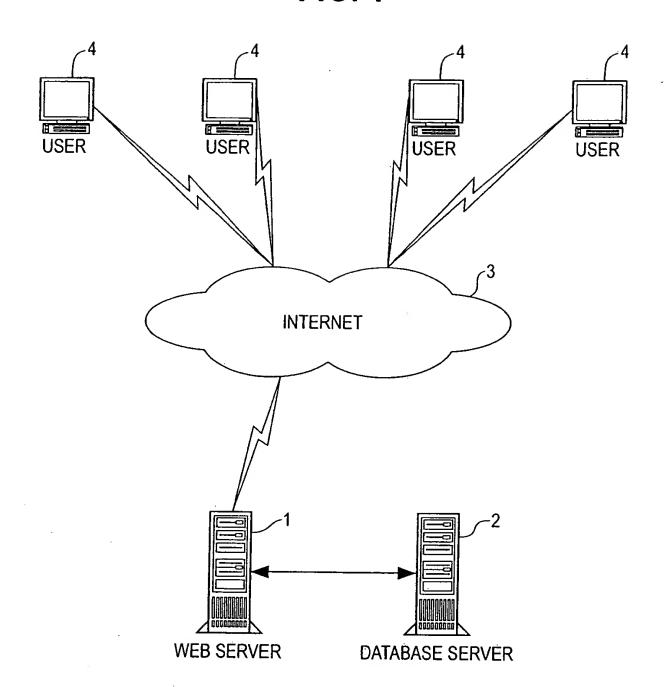
Chicago, IL 60602

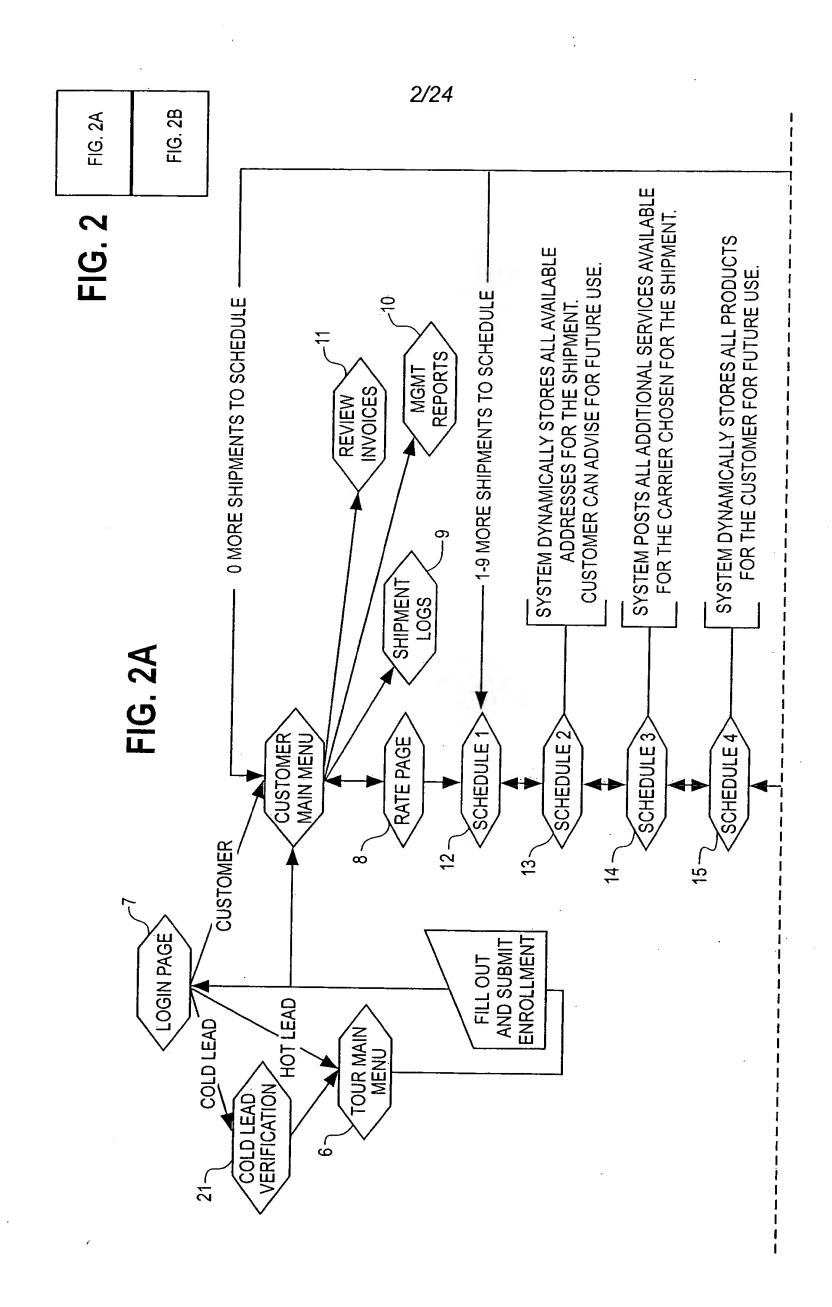
Dated: February 8, 2006

I	<u>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</u>
I	I certify that this document and attached formal drawings are being deposited on February 8,
ı	2006 with the V.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and addressed to the
	Assistant Complissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.
	March Mathi Date: 2-8-06
ı	$\Lambda M/AAA$



FIG. 1





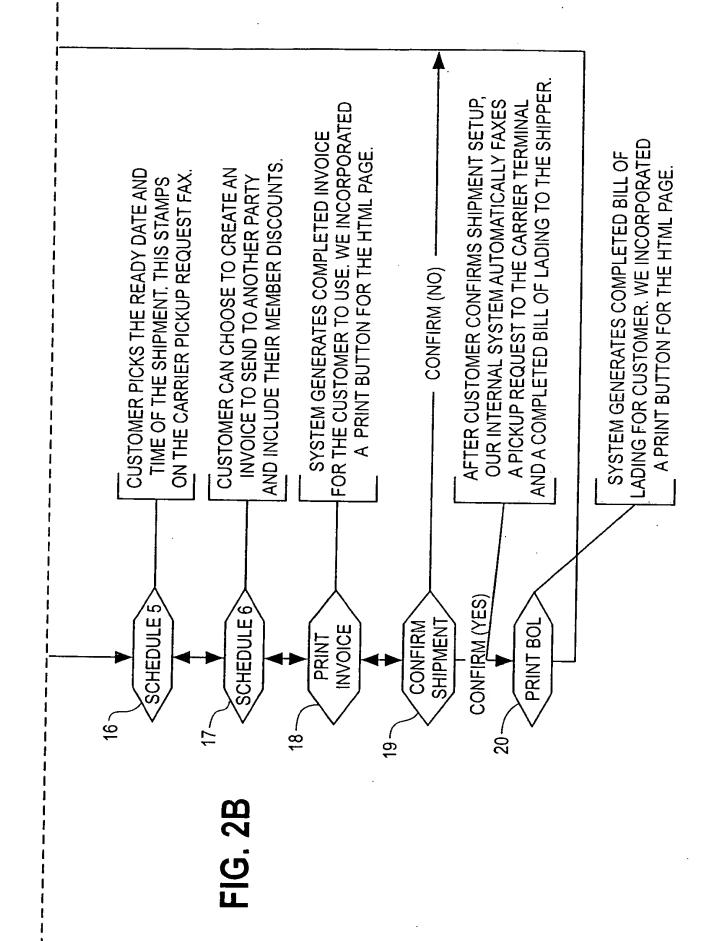
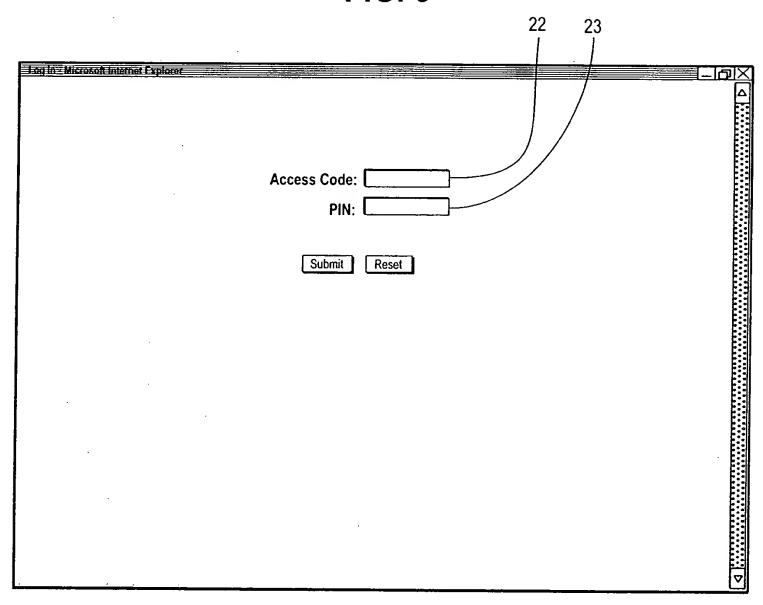


FIG. 3



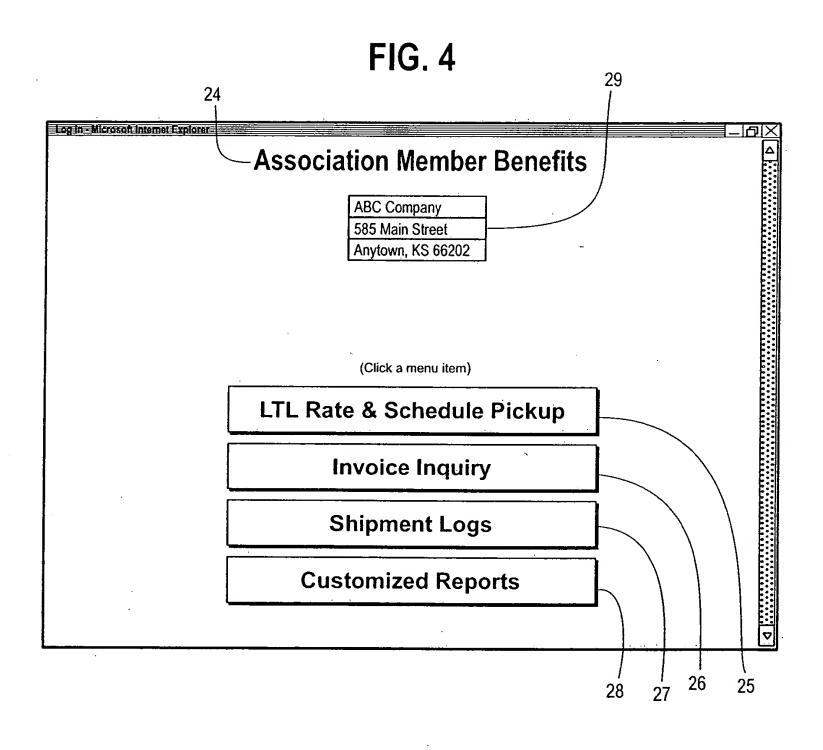


FIG.5 Association Member Benefits

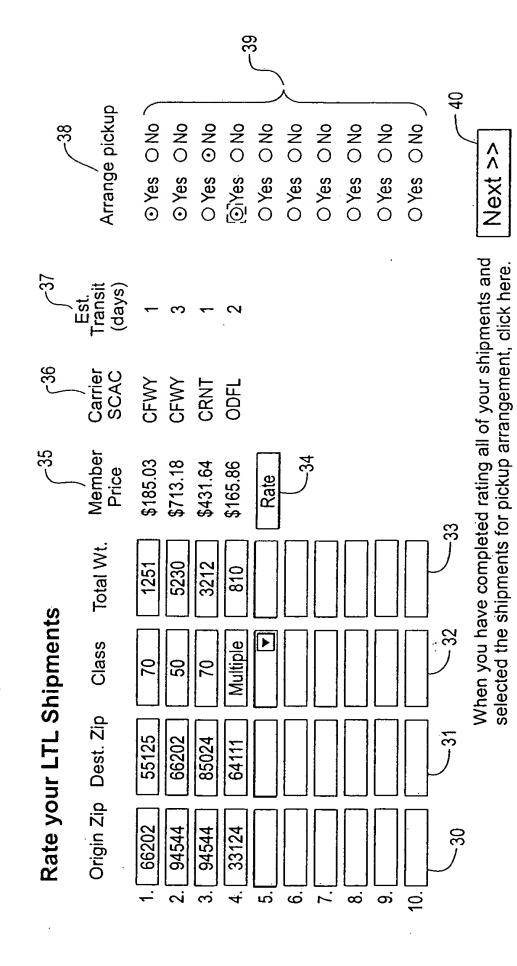


FIG. 5A

LTL-Shipments - Microsoft Internet Explorer provided by Freightquote,COM	-lu X
Association Member Benefits —	<u>Δ</u>
Enter Multiple Shipment Information	
Origin Zip Dest. Zip Class Wt. (lbs) 2. 68202 55125 50 100 weights of each type of product being shipped for this movement. O O O Continue	
	▽

FIG. 6

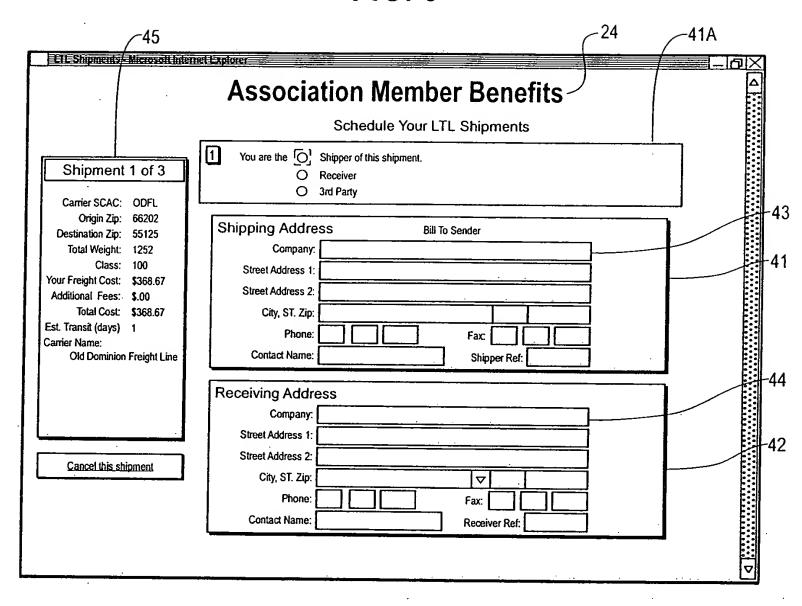


FIG. 6A

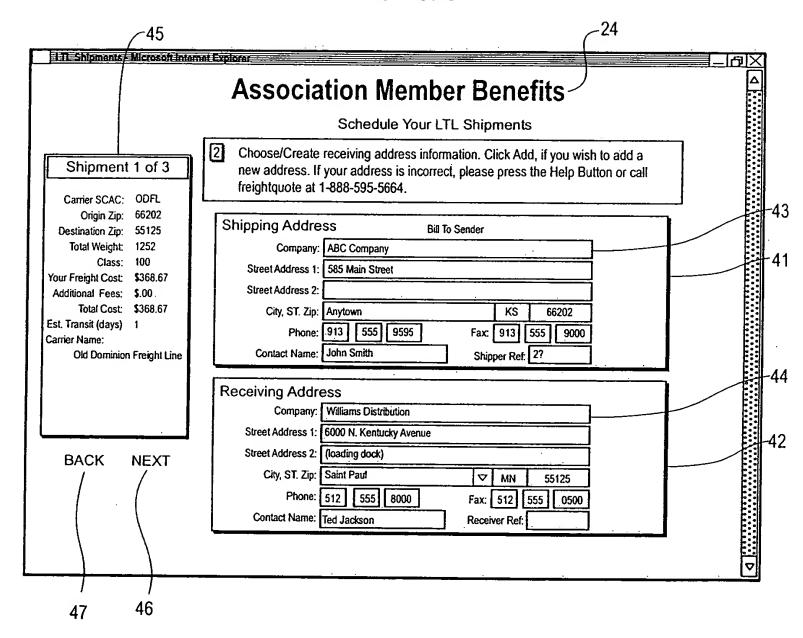


FIG. 7

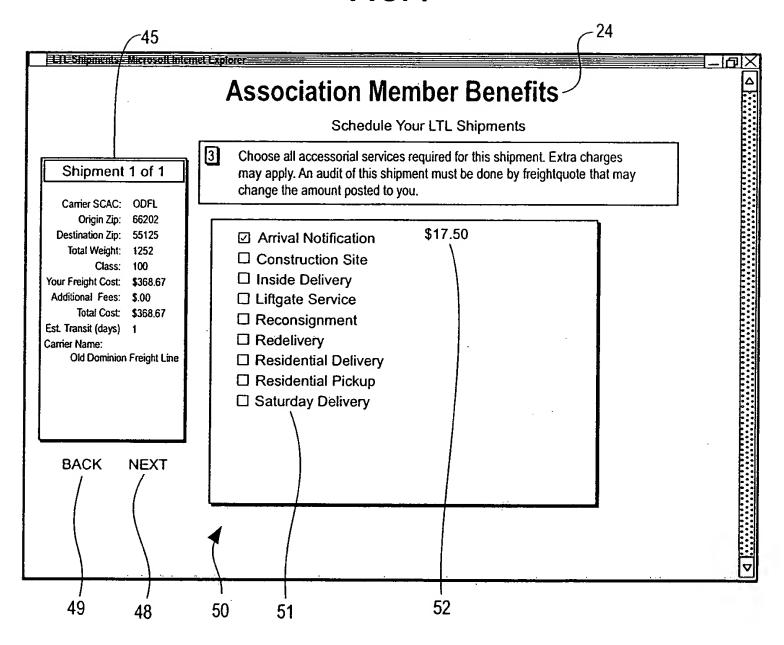


FIG. 8

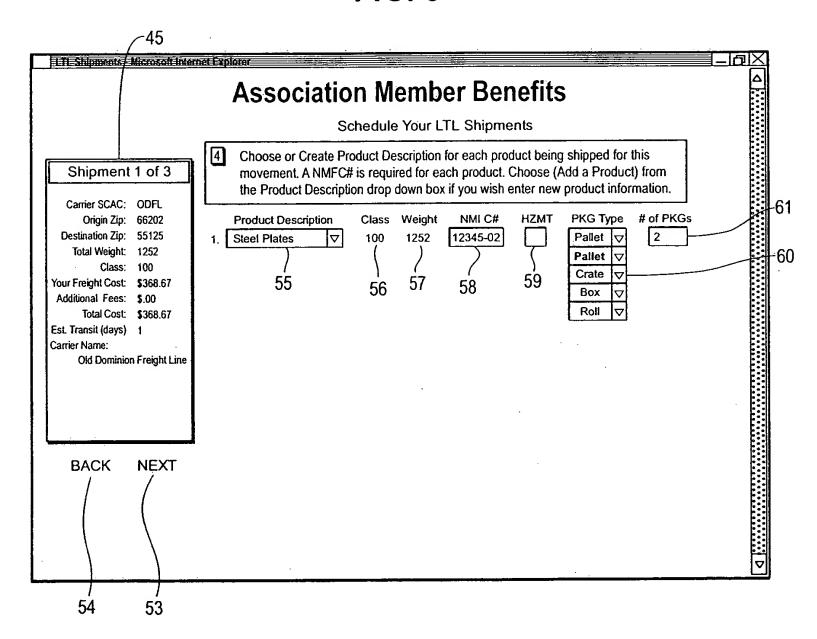


FIG. 8A

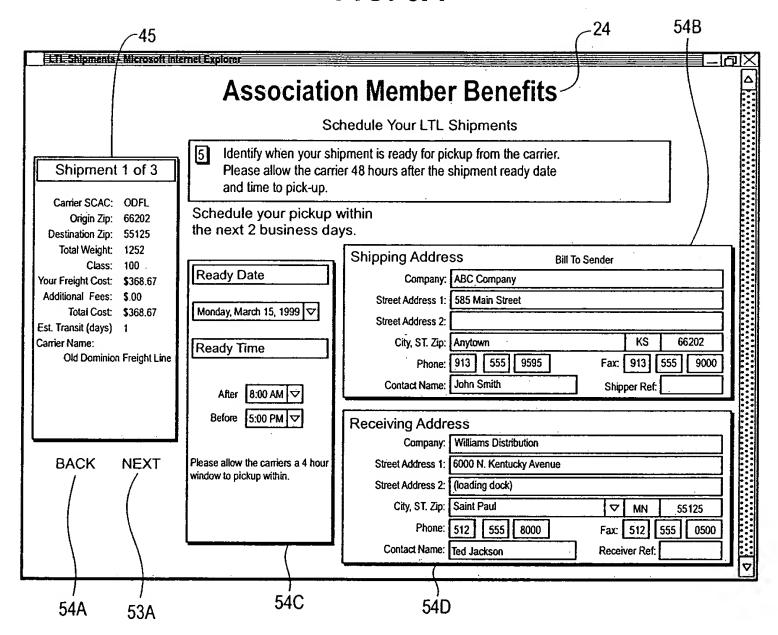


FIG. 9

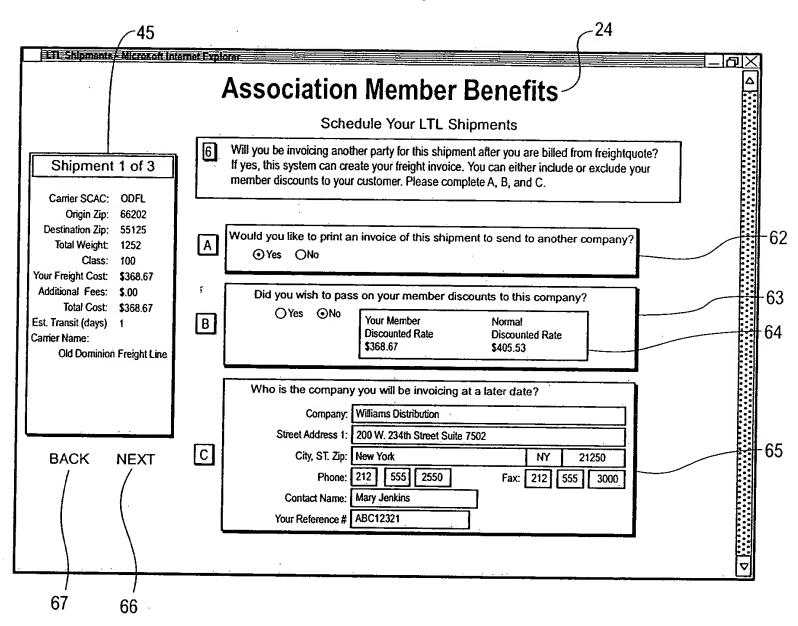


FIG. 10

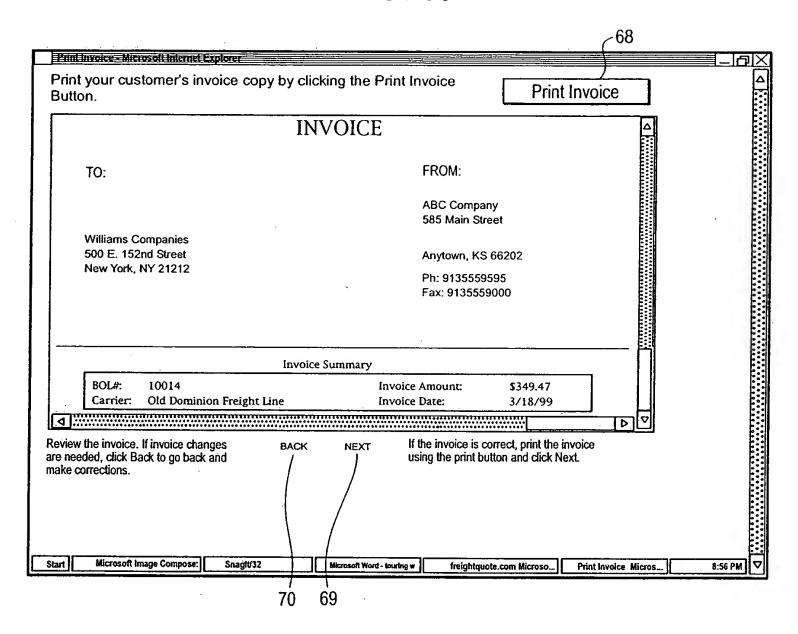


FIG. 1

Association Member Benefits $^{>}$

Press OK to complete this shipment and print Bill Of Lading (BOL).

- 1. If you are not the sender, please notify them regarding this movement and fax a copy of the completed Bill of Lading to the sender. The sender must use our generated Bill of Lading (BOL) in order for you to receive accurate pricing and shipment processing.
- The carrier will pick up your freight within 48 hours of the scheduled Ready Date and Time. You do not need to contact the carrier for pickup. $\ddot{\circ}$
- information changes for this movement, additional freight charges or fees may be We will invoice you at the end of the month for this movement. If any freight added to this movement's cost after shipment auditing (1-4 weeks). က

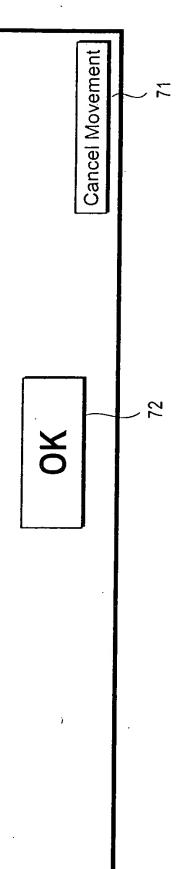


FIG. 12

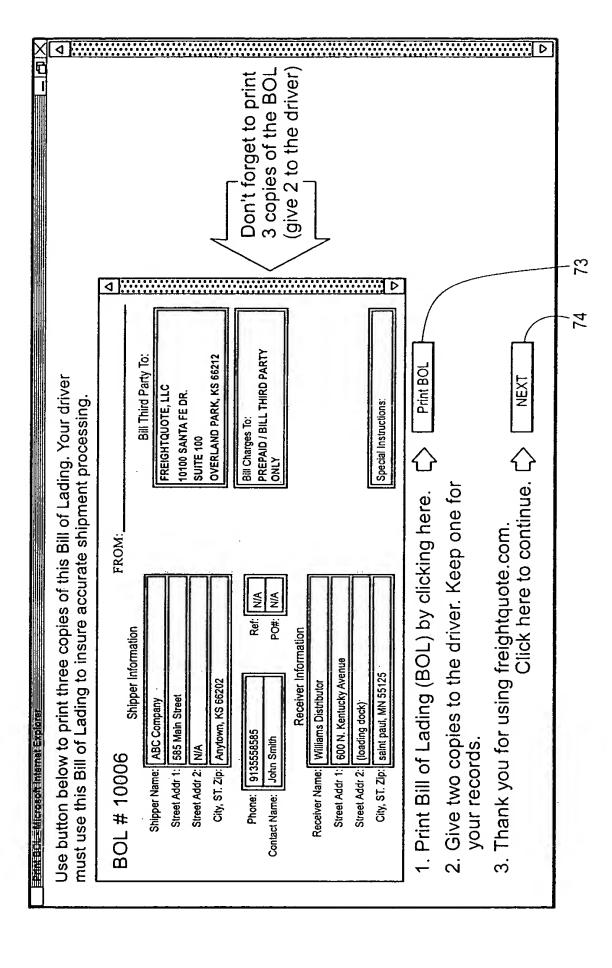


FIG. 13

Association Member Benefits 24

Inv#	Inv Date	Due Date	Prior Bal	New Charges	Payments/Crdts	Total Due
123456	2/28/1999	3/20/1999	0	252.12	0	252.12
145678	3/31/1999	4/20/1999	252.12	558.15	252.12	558.15
156789	4/30/1999	5/20/1999	558.15	1020.60	500.00	1079.62*
178922	5/31/1999	6/20/1999	1079.62	1150.50	1079.62	1150.50
165678	6/30/1999	7/20/1999	252.12.	558.15	252.12.	558.15
176789	7/31/1999	8/20/1999	1079.62	1150.50	1079.62	1150.50

^{*}Includes a 1.5% finance charge added to unpaid prior balance

FIG. 14
Association Member Benefits

Click on the column you wish to arrange your shipments by. Highlight the desired shipment and click Print BOL (Bill of Lading), or Print POD (Proof of Delivery).

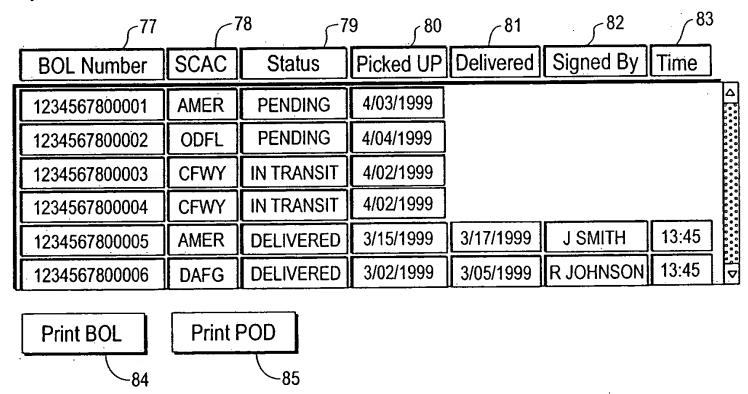


FIG. 15

Click on the report you wish to run. Autorun Reports are highlighted in Blue (you will automatically receive these reports).

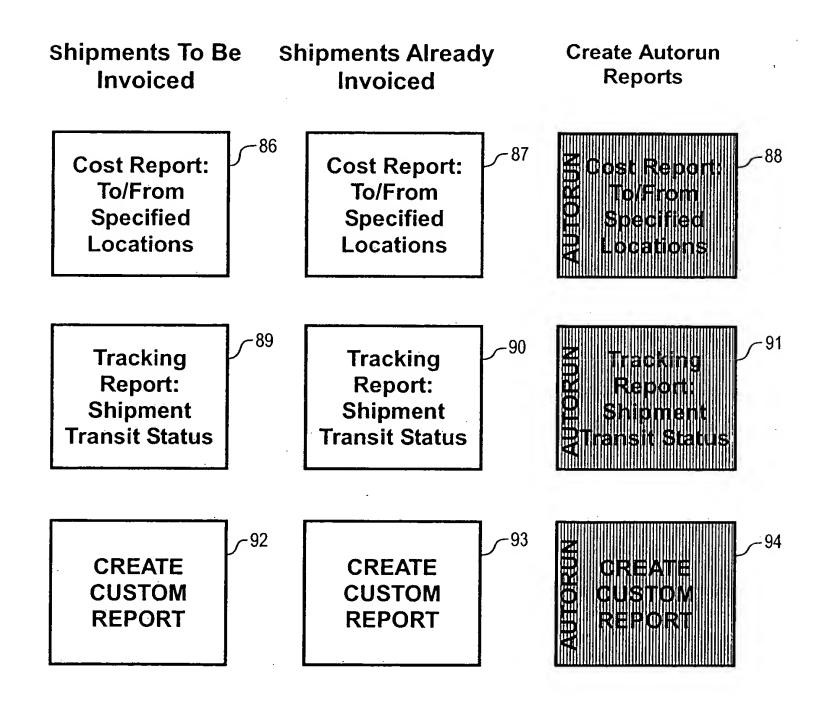


FIG. 15A

Run Cost Report

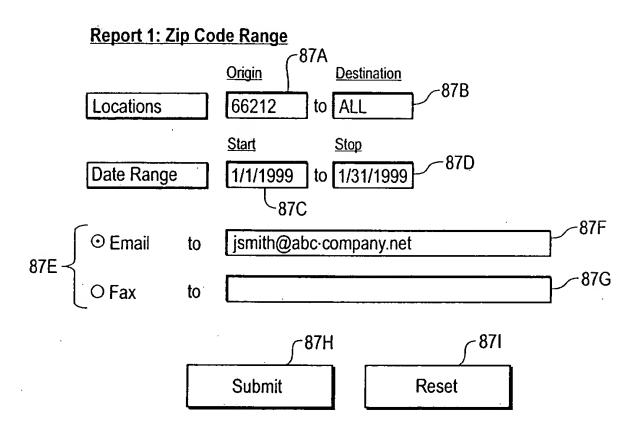


FIG. 15B

Report Name: Billing Summary

from: 1-Jan-99 31-Jan-99 Report Date: 3-May-99

Report on: Master Account ABC Company 123 South Main Street Overland Park, KS 66212 Report to: Master Account

ABC Company 123 South Main Street Overland Park, KS 66212

	BOL#	Ship Date	<u>Delivered</u>	Weight	Cost
1.	100001	1/1/99	1/4/99	120	\$68.50
2.	100002	1/1/99	1/4/99	100	\$85.23
3.	100003	1/1/99	1/4/99	656	\$122.20
4.	100004	1/5/99	1/8/99	230	\$51.12
5.	100005	1/5/99	1/8/99	58	\$40.00
6.	100006	1/10/99	1/14/99	502	\$98.90
7.	100007	1/10/99	1/14/99	650	\$225.25
8.	100008	1/10/99	1/15/99	250	\$100.20
9.	100009	1/11/99	1/15/99	120	\$68.50
10.	100010	1/15/99	1/19/99	50	\$60.20
11.	100011	1/15/99	1/23/99	220	\$122.20
12.	100012	1/23/99	1/25/99	262	\$51.90
13.	100013	1/23/99	1/26/99	120	\$64.50
14.	100014	1/23/99	1/26/99	85	\$85.82
15.	100015	1/23/99	1/29/99	1252	\$321.01
16.					
17.					
18.					
19.					
20.					

Total Page 1: \$1,565.53

Overall Total: \$1,565.53 Average: \$104.37

FIG. 15C

Run Tracking Report							
Report 1: Zip	Co	de Range					
		Origin Destination					
Locations		66212 to 55125					
		Start Stop					
Date Range		1/5/1999 to 1/31/1999					
⊙ Email	to	jsmith@abc-company.net					
○ Fax f	to						
[Submit Poset					

FIG. 15D

Report Name: Transit Summary

from: 1-Jan-99 to 31-Jan-99

10 m / 51 van /

Report on: Affiliate Account
ABC Company

555 Williamsburg Ave Dayton, OH 55125 Report to:

Master Account
ABC Company

123 South Main Street Overland Park, KS 66212

Report Date: 6-May-99

	DOI #	Chin Data	Dalimanad	Walaka	m
	BOL#	Ship Date	<u>Delivered</u>	Weight	<u>Transit Days</u>
1.	100001	1/1/99	1/4/99	120	1
2.	100002	1/1/99	1/4/99	100	1
3.	100003	1/1/99	1/4/99	656	3
4.	100004	1/5/99	1/8/99	230	3
5.	100005	1/5/99	1/8/99	58	3
6.	100006	1/10/99	1/14/99	502	3
7.	100007	1/10/99	1/14/99	650	4
8.	100008	1/10/99	1/15/99.	250	5
9.	100009	1/11/99	1/15/99	120	4
10.	100010	1/15/99	1/19/99	50	2
11.	100011	1/15/99	1/23/99	220	6
12.	100012	1/23/99	1/25/99	262	I
13.	100013	1/23/99	1/26/99	120	2
14.	100014	1/23/99	1/26/99	85	2
15.	100015	1/23/99	1/29/99	1252	5
16.					
17.	•				
18.					
19.					
20.					
			A 1/0	Transit	2

Avg. Transit:

3

FIG. 16

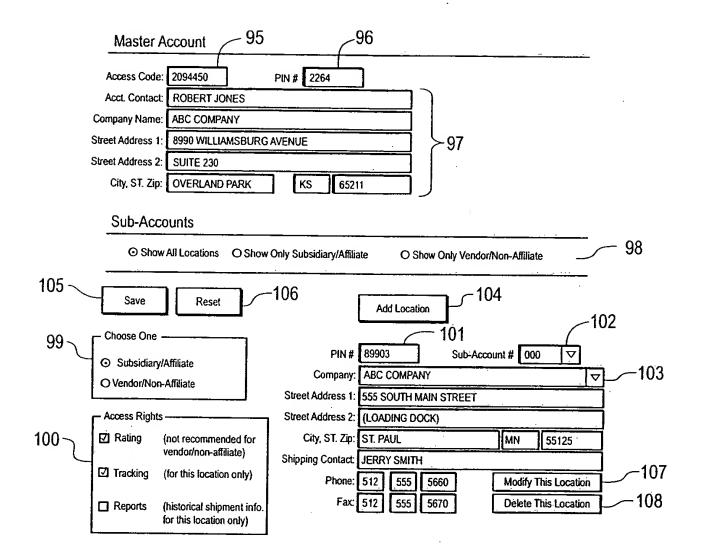


FIG. 17

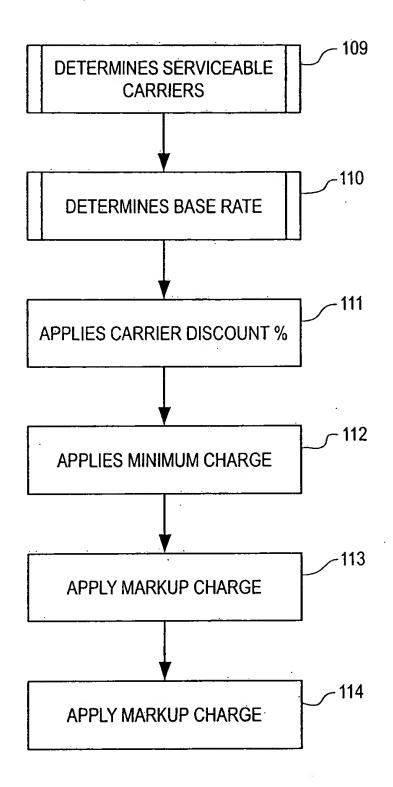
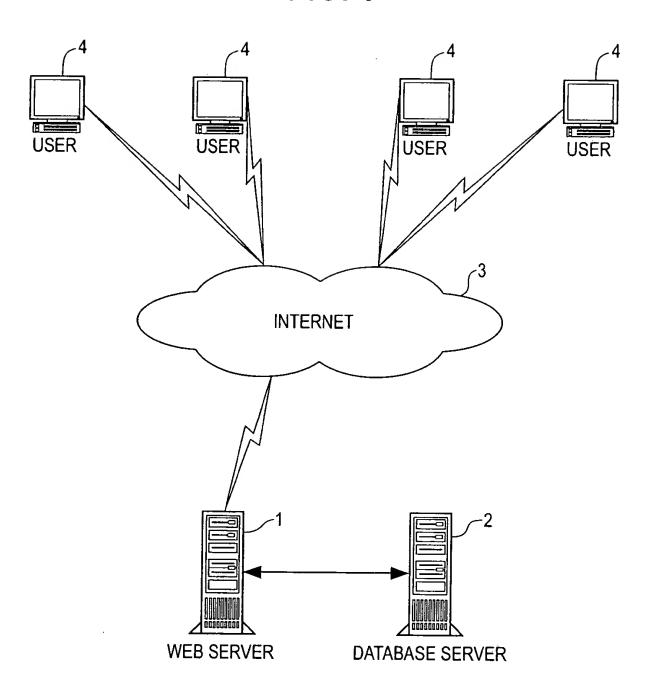


FIG. 1



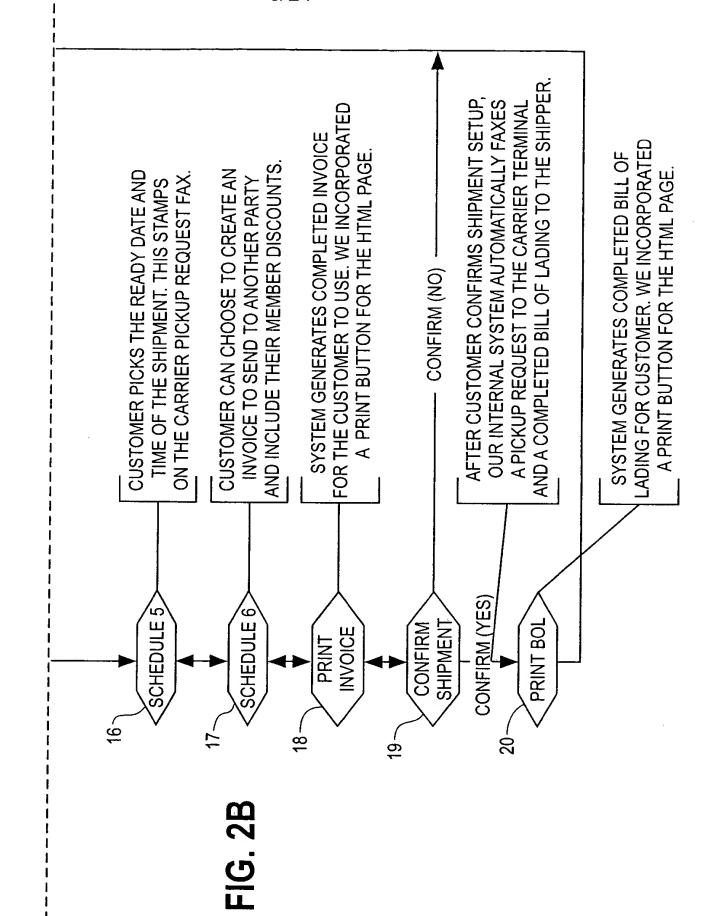
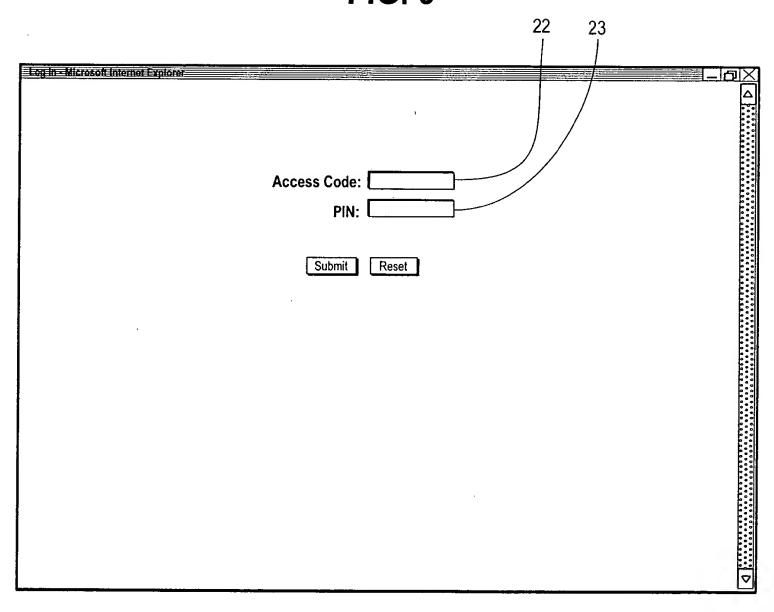


FIG. 3



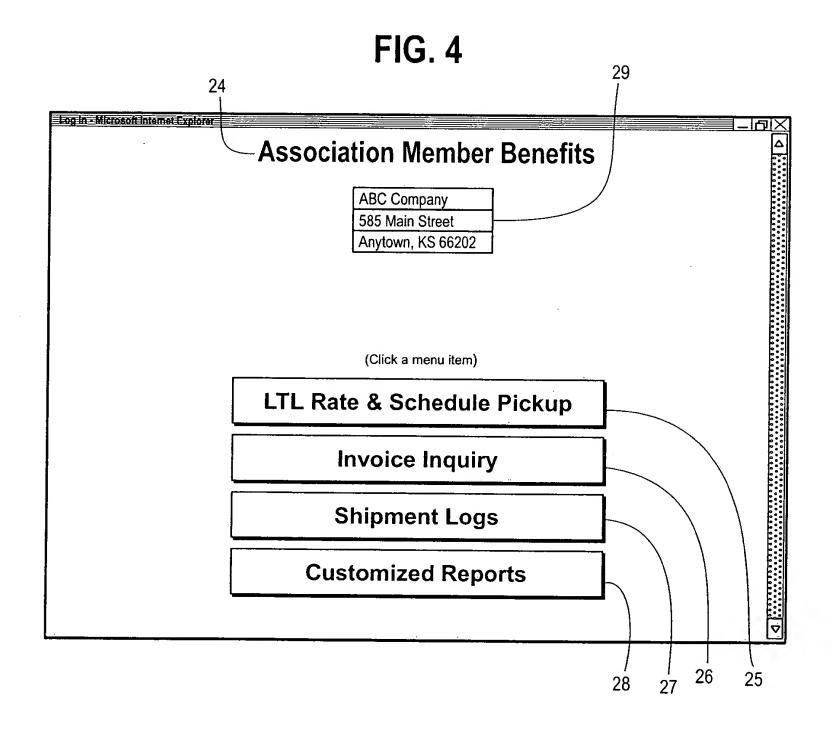


FIG.5 Association Member Benefits

	<u>q</u>		_	-30	ŝ						- 40	
38	Arrange pickup		○ Yes ○ No ○ Yes ⊙ No	[⊙iYes ○ No	O Yes O No	OYes ONo	O Yes O No		Next >>			
(37	Est. Transit (days)	← 0	ω ←	2								e completed rating all of your shipments and lipments for pickup arrangement, click here.
136	/ Carrier SCAC	CFWY	CRNT	ODFL								of your sh angemen
35	/ Member Price	\$185.03	\$431.64	\$165.86	Rate		5			·	က	When you have completed rating all of your shipments and selected the shipments for pickup arrangement, click here.
Ş	Total Wt.	1251	3212	810								ive complet shipments f
Rate your LTL Shipments	Class	70	02	Multiple	Þ						32	When you have selected the sh
ur LTL S	Origin Zip Dest. Zip	55125	85024	64111							J. 31	> %
Rate yo	Origin Zip	oxdot	2. 94544 3. 94544	4. 33124	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	0.	گ	

FIG. 5A

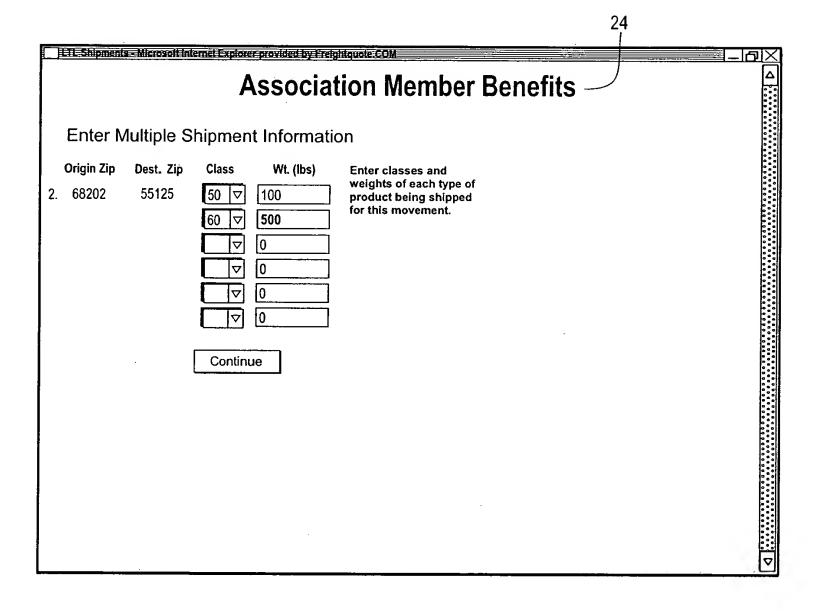


FIG. 6

/45		
ETL Shipments/ Microsoft Inter	Association Member Benefits	
Shipment 1 of 3 Carrier SCAC: ODFL Origin Zip: 66202 Destination Zip: 55125 Total Weight: 1252 Class: 100	Schedule Your LTL Shipments You are the O Shipper of this shipment. O Receiver O 3rd Party Shipping Address Company: Street Address 1:	44
Class: 100 Your Freight Cost: \$368.67 Additional Fees: \$.00 Total Cost: \$368.67 Est. Transit (days) 1 Carrier Name: Old Dominion Freight Line	Street Address 2:	-44
Cancel this shipment	Receiving Address Company: Street Address 1: Street Address 2: City, ST. Zip: Phone: Fax: Receiver Ref:	-42

FIG. 6A

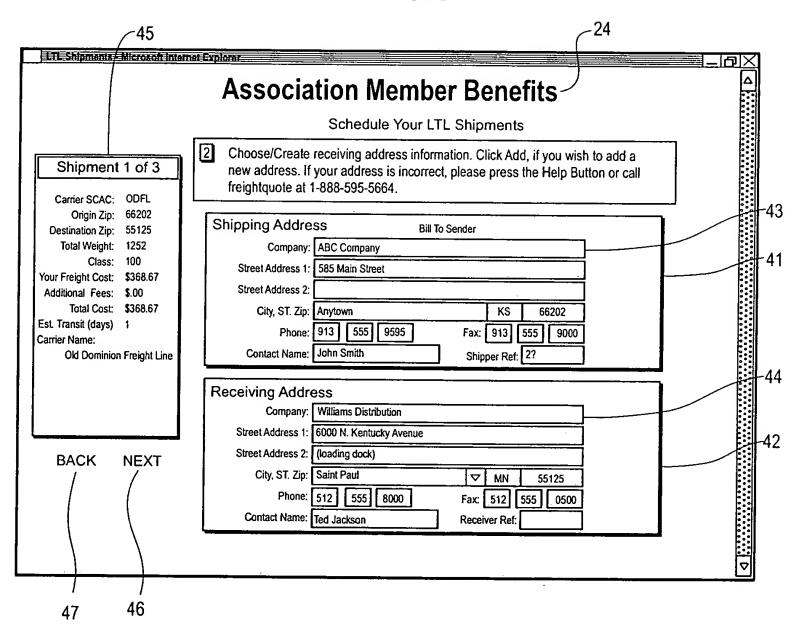


FIG. 7

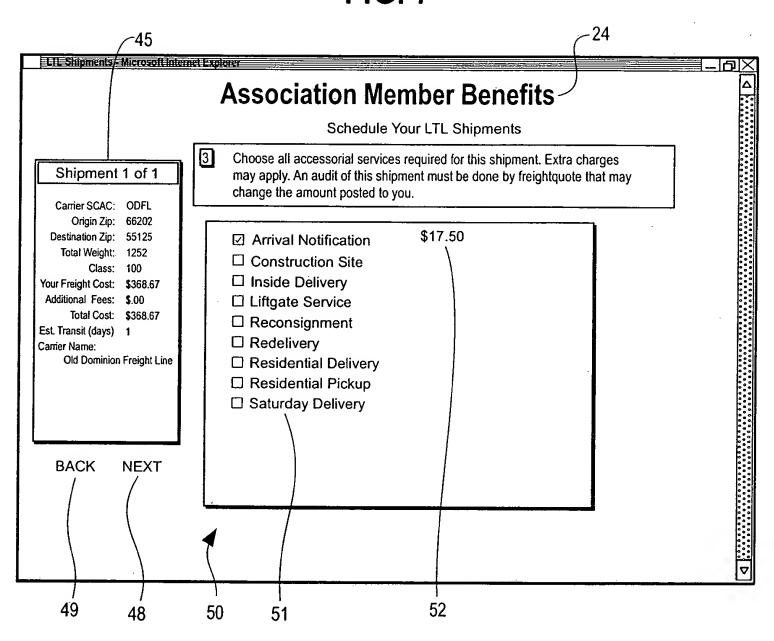


FIG. 8

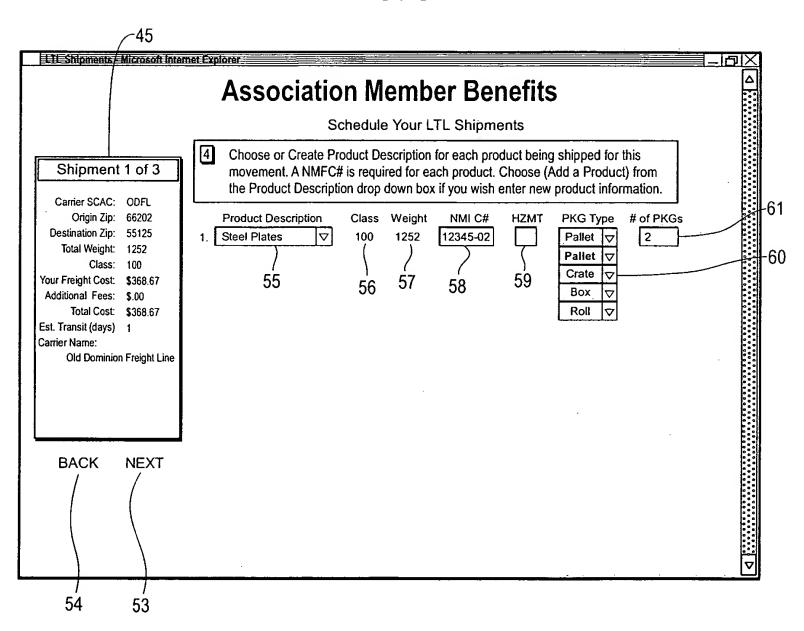


FIG. 8A

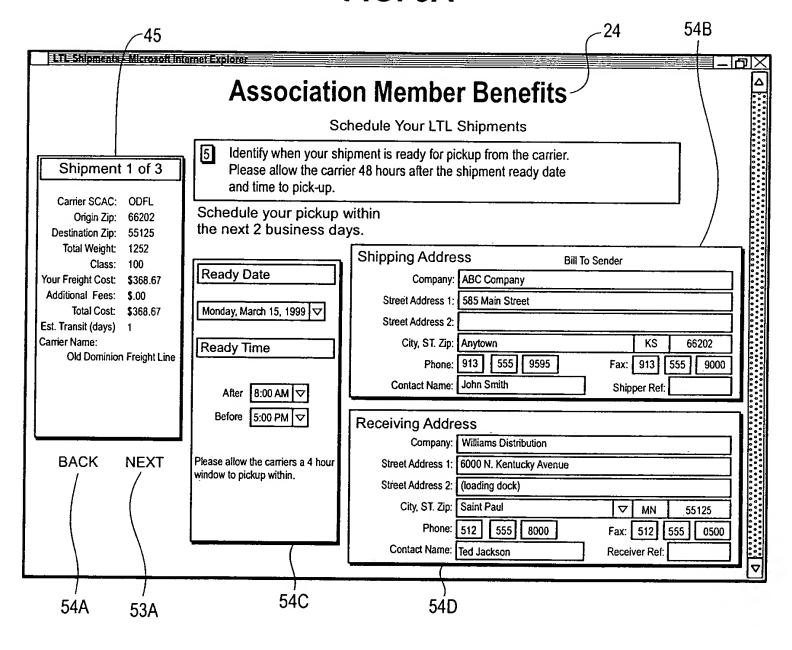


FIG. 9

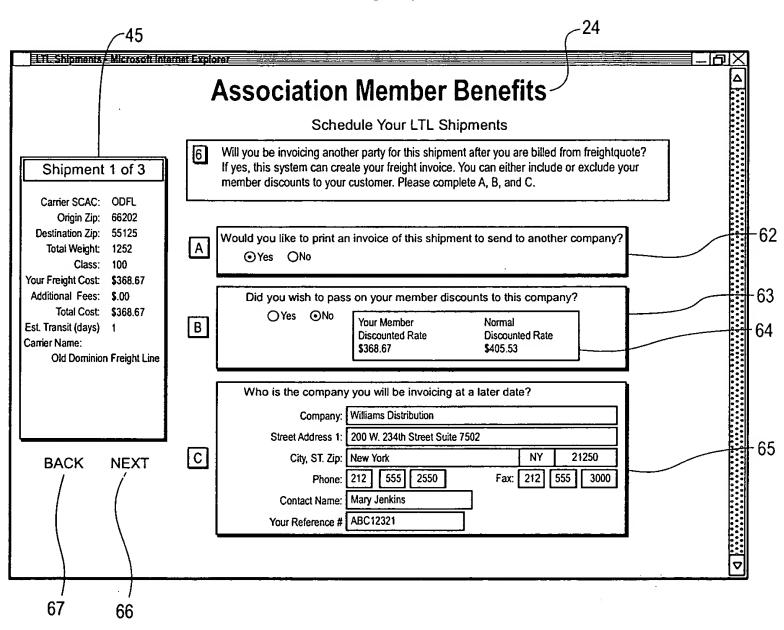


FIG. 10

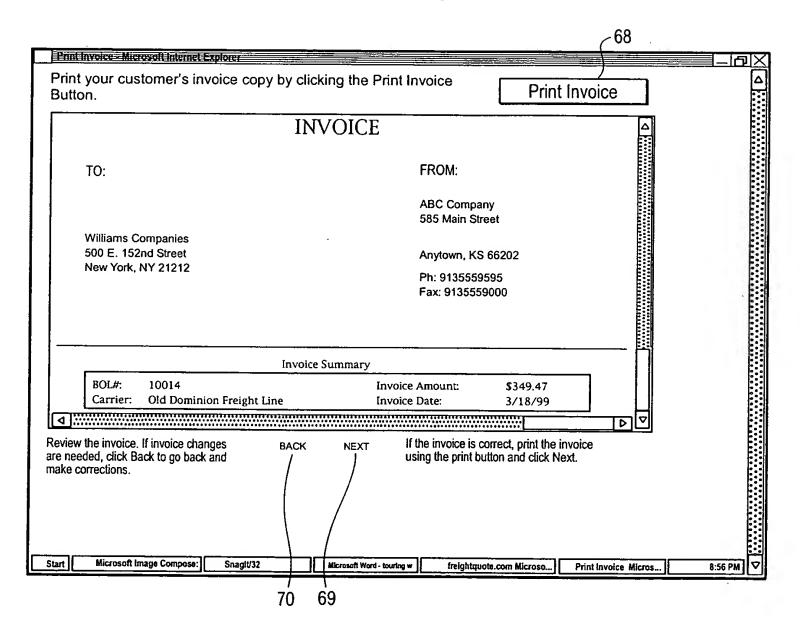
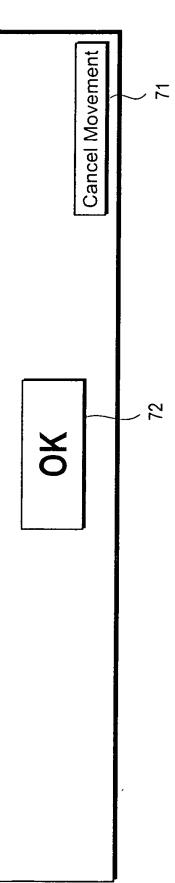


FIG. 11

Association Member Benefits

Press OK to complete this shipment and print Bill Of Lading (BOL).

- 1. If you are not the sender, please notify them regarding this movement and fax a copy of the completed Bill of Lading to the sender. The sender must use our generated Bill of Lading (BOL) in order for you to receive accurate pricing and shipment processing.
- The carrier will pick up your freight within 48 hours of the scheduled Ready Date and Time. You do not need to contact the carrier for pickup. 7
- information changes for this movement, additional freight charges or fees may be We will invoice you at the end of the month for this movement. If any freight added to this movement's cost after shipment auditing (1-4 weeks). က





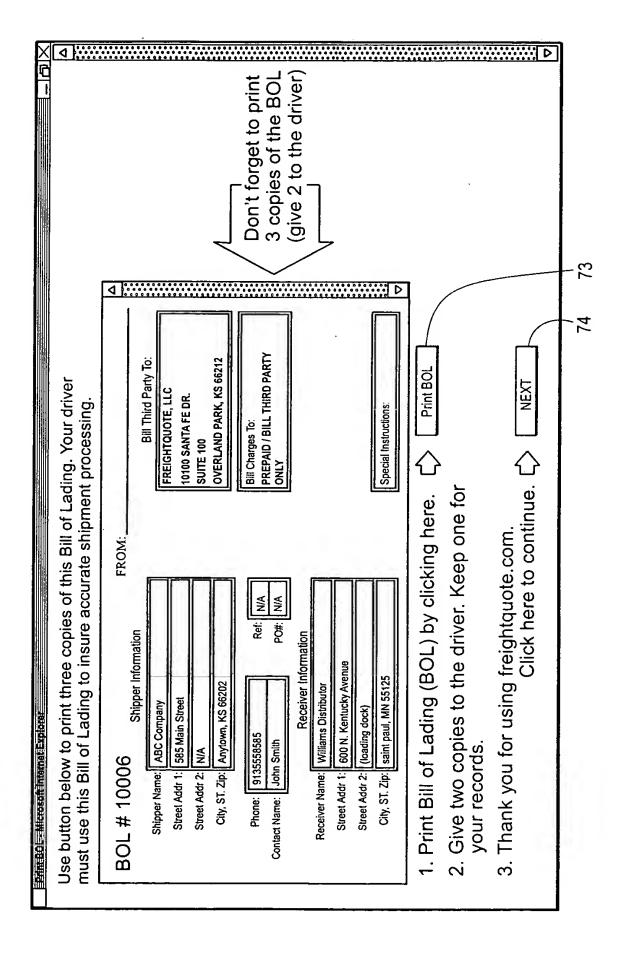


FIG. 13

Association Member Benefits 24

Inv#	Inv Date	Due Date	Prior Bal	New Charges	Payments/Crdts	Total Due	
123456	2/28/1999	3/20/1999	0	252.12	0	252.12	P
145678	3/31/1999	4/20/1999	252.12	558.15	252.12	558.15	20000
156789	4/30/1999	5/20/1999	558.15	1020.60	500.00	1079.62*	0 0 0 0
178922	5/31/1999	6/20/1999	1079.62	1150.50	1079.62	1150.50	
165678	6/30/1999	7/20/1999	252.12.	558.15	252.12.	558.15	
176789	7/31/1999	8/20/1999	1079.62	1150.50	1079.62	1150.50	

^{*}Includes a 1.5% finance charge added to unpaid prior balance

FIG. 14
Association Member Benefits - 24

Click on the column you wish to arrange your shipments by. Highlight the desired shipment and click Print BOL (Bill of Lading), or Print POD (Proof of Delivery).

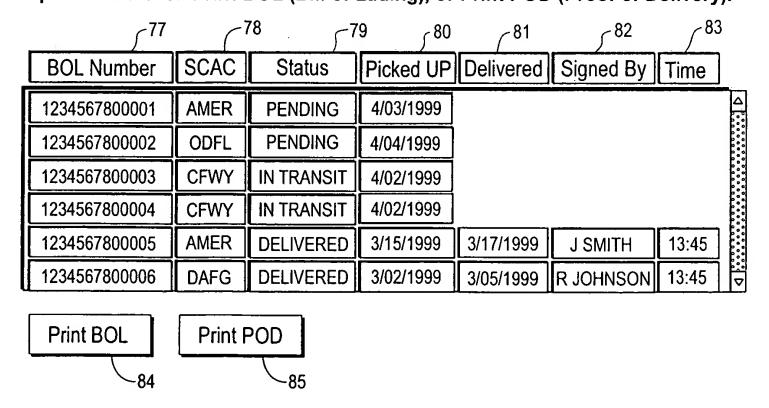


FIG. 15

Click on the report you wish to run. Autorun Reports are highlighted in Blue (you will automatically receive these reports).

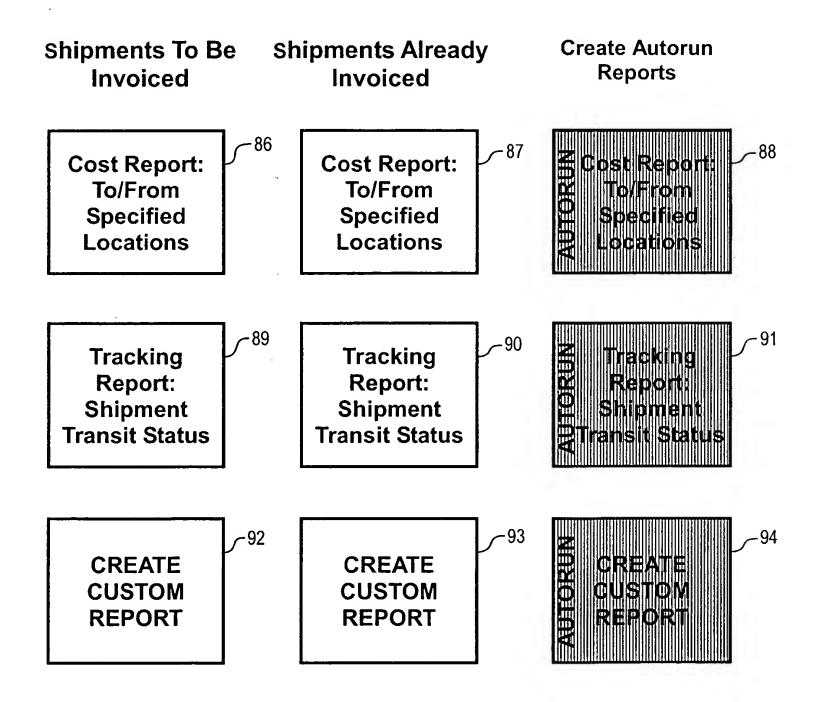


FIG. 15A

Run Cost Report

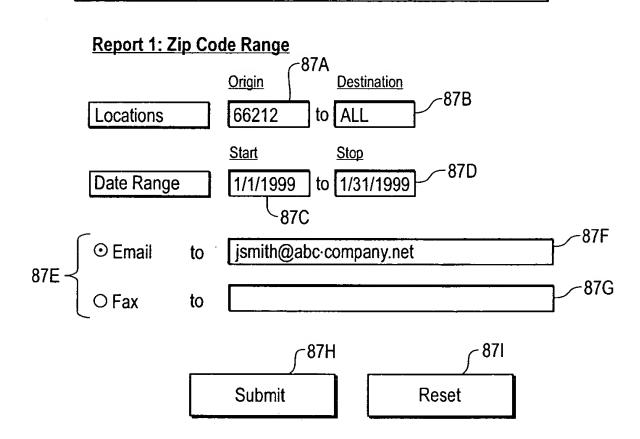


FIG. 15B

Report Name: Billing Summary

from: 1-Jan-99 to

31-Jan-99

Report Date: 3-May-99

Report on: Master Account ABC Company 123 South Main Street

Overland Park, KS 66212

Report to: Master Account ABC Company

123 South Main Street Overland Park, KS 66212

	BOL#	Ship Date	Delivered	Weight	Cost
1.	100001	1/1/99	1/4/99	120	\$68.50
2.	100002	1/1/99	1/4/99	100	\$85.23
3.	100003	1/1/99	1/4/99	656	\$122.20
4.	100004	1/5/99	1/8/99	230	\$51.12
5.	100005	1/5/99	1/8/99	58	\$40.00
6.	100006	1/10/99	1/14/99	502	\$98.90
7.	100007	1/10/99	1/14/99	650	\$225.25
8.	100008	1/10/99	1/15/99	250	\$100.20
9.	100009	1/11/99	1/15/99	120	\$68.50
10.	100010	1/15/99	1/19/99	50	\$60.20
11.	100011	1/15/99	1/23/99	220	\$122.20
12.	100012	1/23/99	1/25/99	262	\$51.90
13.	100013	1/23/99	1/26/99	120	\$64.50
14.	100014	1/23/99	1/26/99	85	\$85.82
15.	100015	1/23/99	1/29/99	1252	\$321.01
16.					
17.					
18.					
19.					
20.					

Total Page 1:

\$1,565.53

Overall Total:

\$1,565.53

Average:

\$104.37

FIG. 15C

Run Tracking Report

Report 1: Zip Code Range							
		Origin Destination					
Locations		66212 to 55125					
Date Range		Start Stop 1/5/1999 to 1/31/1999					
⊙ Email	to	jsmith@abc-company.net					
○ Fax	to						
		Submit Reset					

FIG. 15D

Report on: Affiliate Account	Repor	t Name:	Transit Sui	mmary			Report Date: 6-May-99
ABC Company 555 Williamsburg Ave Dayton, OH 55125 BOL# Ship Date Delivered 1. 100001 1/1/99 1/4/99 120 1 2. 100002 1/1/99 1/4/99 656 3 4. 100004 1/5/99 1/8/99 58 3 5. 100005 1/5/99 1/8/99 58 3 6. 100006 1/10/99 1/14/99 650 4 8. 100008 1/10/99 1/14/99 650 4 8. 100008 1/10/99 1/15/99 250 5 9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 250 5 9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 50 2 11. 100010 1/15/99 1/15/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 16. 17. 18. 19.		from:	1-Jan-99	to	31-Jan-99)	
BOL# Ship Date Delivered Weight Transit Days 1. 100001 1/1/99 1/4/99 120 1 2. 100002 1/1/99 1/4/99 100 1 3. 100003 1/1/99 1/4/99 656 3 4. 100004 1/5/99 1/8/99 230 3 5. 100005 1/5/99 1/8/99 58 3 6. 100006 1/10/99 1/14/99 502 3 7. 100007 1/10/99 1/14/99 650 4 8. 100008 1/10/99 1/15/99 250 5 9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 120 4 10. 100010 1/15/99 1/19/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5	ABC Company 555 Williamsbur			iny sburg Ave		Report to:	ABC Company 123 South Main Street
1. 100001 1/1/99 1/4/99 120 1 2. 100002 1/1/99 1/4/99 100 1 3. 100003 1/1/99 1/4/99 656 3 4. 100004 1/5/99 1/8/99 230 3 5. 100005 1/5/99 1/8/99 58 3 6. 100006 1/10/99 1/14/99 502 3 7. 100007 1/10/99 1/14/99 650 4 8. 100008 1/10/99 1/15/99 250 5 9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 120 4 10. 100010 1/15/99 1/19/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 16. 17. 18. 19.			Dayton, On	33123	· · ·	J	Overland Park, KS 00212
2. 100002 1/1/99 1/4/99 100 1 3. 100003 1/1/99 1/4/99 656 3 4. 100004 1/5/99 1/8/99 230 3 5. 100005 1/5/99 1/8/99 58 3 6. 100006 1/10/99 1/14/99 502 3 7. 100007 1/10/99 1/14/99 650 4 8. 100008 1/10/99 1/15/99 250 5 9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 120 4 10. 100010 1/15/99 1/19/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.			•		. •	Transit Days	
3. 100003 1/1/99 1/4/99 656 3 4. 100004 1/5/99 1/8/99 230 3 5. 100005 1/5/99 1/8/99 58 3 6. 100006 1/10/99 1/14/99 502 3 7. 100007 1/10/99 1/14/99 650 4 8. 100008 1/10/99 1/15/99 250 5 9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 120 4 10. 100010 1/15/99 1/19/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 120 2 14. 100014 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	1.			1/4/99	120	1	
4. 100004 1/5/99 1/8/99 230 3 5. 100005 1/5/99 1/8/99 58 3 6. 100006 1/10/99 1/14/99 502 3 7. 100007 1/10/99 1/14/99 650 4 8. 100008 1/10/99 1/15/99 250 5 9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 120 4 10. 100010 1/15/99 1/19/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 120 2 14. 100014 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	2.	100002	1/1/99	1/4/99	100	1	
5. 100005 1/5/99 1/8/99 58 3 6. 100006 1/10/99 1/14/99 502 3 7. 100007 1/10/99 1/14/99 650 4 8. 100008 1/10/99 1/15/99 250 5 9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 120 4 10. 100010 1/15/99 1/19/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	3.	100003	1/1/99	1/4/99	656	3	
6. 100006 1/10/99 1/14/99 502 3 7. 100007 1/10/99 1/14/99 650 4 8. 100008 1/10/99 1/15/99 250 5 9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 120 4 10. 100010 1/15/99 1/19/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 120 2 14. 100014 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/26/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	4.	100004	1/5/99	1/8/99	230	3	
7. 100007 1/10/99 1/14/99 650 4 8. 100008 1/10/99 1/15/99 250 5 9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 120 4 10. 100010 1/15/99 1/19/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 120 2 14. 100014 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	5.	100005	1/5/99	1/8/99	58	3	
8. 100008 1/10/99 1/15/99 250 5 9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 120 4 10. 100010 1/15/99 1/19/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 120 2 14. 100014 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	6.	100006	1/10/99	1/14/99	502	3	
9. 100009 1/11/99 1/15/99 120 4 10. 100010 1/15/99 1/19/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 120 2 14. 100014 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	7.	100007	1/10/99	1/14/99	650	4	
10. 100010 1/15/99 1/19/99 50 2 11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 120 2 14. 100014 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	8.	100008	1/10/99	1/15/99	250	5	
11. 100011 1/15/99 1/23/99 220 6 12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 120 2 14. 100014 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	9.	100009	1/11/99	1/15/99	120	4	
12. 100012 1/23/99 1/25/99 262 1 13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 120 2 14. 100014 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	10.	100010	1/15/99	1/19/99	50	2	
13. 100013 1/23/99 1/26/99 120 2 14. 100014 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	11.	100011	1/15/99	1/23/99	220	6	•
14. 100014 1/23/99 1/26/99 85 2 15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	12.	100012	1/23/99	1/25/99	262	1	
15. 100015 1/23/99 1/29/99 1252 5 16. 17. 18. 19.	13.	100013	1/23/99	1/26/99	120	2	
16. 17. 18. 19.	14.	100014	1/23/99	1/26/99	85	2	
17. 18. 19.	15.	100015	1/23/99	1/29/99	1252	5	
18. 19.	16.						
19.	17.						
	18.						
	19.						
	20.						

Avg. Transit:

FIG. 16

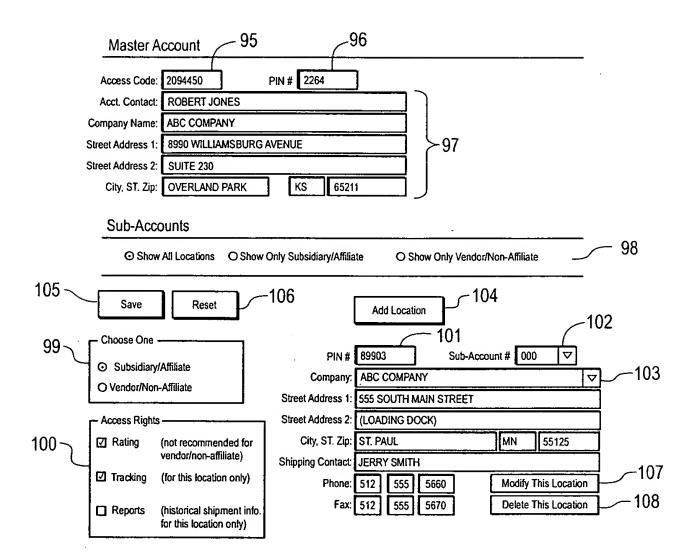
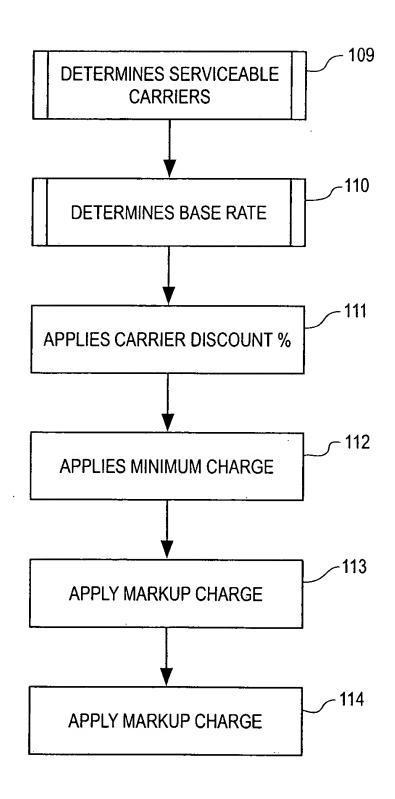
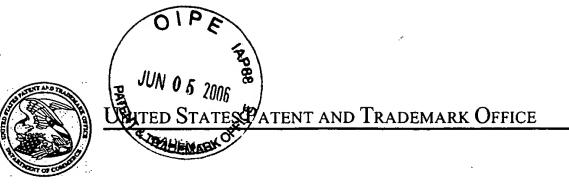


FIG. 17



THIS PAGE BLANK (USPTO)



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
09/557,822	04/25/2000	Timothy A. Barton	2799CIP	9903	
75	90 03/02/2006		EXAM	INER	
Niro Scavone	Haller & Niro	NORMAN, MARC E			
Suite 4600 181 West Madis	son Street	LA TOPE	ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER	
Chicago, IL 6	0602	, , , , ,	3744		
	SP	Just of	DATE MAILED: 03/02/2000	6	

Appeal Brief dul 4-8-06

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Advisory Action JUN 0 5 2006 Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief

Application No.	Applicant(s)	
09/557,822	BARTON, TIMOTHY A.	
Examiner	Art Unit	
Marc E. Norman	3744	

--The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address	
THE REPLY FILED 13 February 2006 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.	
1. The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:	
a) The period for reply expires 3 months from the mailing date of the final rejection.	
b) The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.)
Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).	
Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b). NOTICE OF APPEAL	>
2. The Notice of Appeal was filed on 2/13/06. A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a). AMENDMENTS	
3. The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will <u>not</u> be entered because (a) They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);	
(b) They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);	
(c) They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or	
(d) They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.	
NOTE: (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).	
4. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324).	
5. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s):	
6. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) <u>22-24</u> would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).	
7. Sor purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) will not be entered, or b) swill be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended. The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: Claim(s) allowed: 22-24.	
Claim(s) objected to:	
Claim(s) rejected: <u>26-28.</u> Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: <u>29-43</u> .	
AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE	
8. The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will <u>not</u> be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).	
9. The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will <u>not</u> be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome <u>all</u> rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).	
10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached. REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER	
11. The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: See Continuation Sheet.	
12. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s). (PTO/SB/08 or PTO-1449) Paper No(s)	
13. Other:	

Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: Even if the feature taught by De LaMotte may have been disclosed in the parent case of the CIP, the combination of that feature with the other limitations of claim 26 was not disclosed in the parent case. Accordingly, the claim combination as a whole does not receive priority benefit back to the parent application and the thus use of De LaMotte in the rejection of a portion of the combination is proper.

MARC NORMAN PRIMARY EXAMINER

This Page is Inserted by IFW Indexing and Scanning Operations and is not part of the Official Record

BEST AVAILABLE IMAGES

Defective images within this document are accurate representations of the original documents submitted by the applicant.

fects in the images include but are not limited to the	items checked:
BLACK BORDERS	
☐ IMAGE CUT OFF AT TOP, BOTTOM OR SIDES	
☐ FADED TEXT OR DRAWING	•
☐ BLURRED OR ILLEGIBLE TEXT OR DRAWING	
☐ SKEWED/SLANTED IMAGES	
COLOR OR BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOGRAPHS	
GRAY SCALE DOCUMENTS	
LINES OR MARKS ON ORIGINAL DOCUMENT	
☐ REFERENCE(S) OR EXHIBIT(S) SUBMITTED ARE POOR	QUALITY
OTHER:	

IMAGES ARE BEST AVAILABLE COPY.

As rescanning these documents will not correct the image problems checked, please do not report these problems to the IFW Image Problem Mailbox.